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In re patent application of
MARC FEINBERG, ET AL.

U.S. Serial No.: 10/016,240

Confirmation No.: 4543

Filed: December 10, 2001

For: PACKAGING ASSEMBLY FOR
SURGICAL USE

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Response to Restriction Requirement
Mailed: June 25, 2003

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Sir:

Applicants' attorney has received a Notice of Abandonment mailed December 23, 2003 in connection with the above-identified patent application. According to the Notice of Abandonment, this application has become abandoned for applicants' failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on May 20, 2003.

Please be informed that applicants submitted the required reply to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on June 25, 2003, along with a one month Extension Petition. Enclosed herewith are copies of the following documents evidencing that the required reply was, in fact, filed:

- (1) a copy of the Response to Restriction Requirement with a Certificate of Mailing, evidencing that the Response was submitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on June 25, 2003;
- (2) a One Month Extension Petition; and
- (3) a Postcard Receipt dated June 27, 2003, acknowledging receipt of the Response to Restriction Requirement by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The Postcard Receipt serves as "prima facie" evidence of receipt in the United States Patent and Trademark Office of all items listed thereon.

In view of the documents submitted herewith, applicants respectfully petition the United States Patent and Trademark Office to withdraw its holding of abandonment as indicated in the Notice of Abandonment. No fees are believed to be due as a result of the submittal of this Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment. If any such fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge them to Deposit Account No. 501402.

Respectfully submitted,

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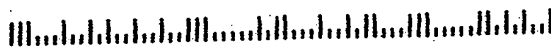


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